lated under the Simla Agreement.

(b) Government have conveyed to Pakistan on several occasions and at various levels our readiness to enter into a comprehensive and meaningful dialogue on all outstanding issues.

Murari Committee Report on deep sea fishing

*50. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the S.C.I.C.I. is collaborating with the Ministry of Food Processing Industries to expeditiously implement the Murari Committee Report on deep-sea fishing sector;

(b) to what extent have the recommendations been accepted by the S.C.I.C.I.;

(c) whether the recommendations have been implemented in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES): (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) A Technical Committee was set up by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries to suggest corrective measures for the rehabilitation of the sick deep sea fishing units. The Managing Director of S.C.I.C.I. was a Member of this Committee.

(b) to (d) The Committee has since submitted its Report. Inter-Ministerial action has since been initiated for implementations of the recommendations.

Doubling of Ghaziabad-Moradabad Rail line

*51. DR. RANBIR SINGH :
SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that trains on the Ghaziabad-Moradabad line run 7 to 8 hours behind their scheduled time because of the single rail-line on this section;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to double this rail line; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) It has been decided to take up the doubling between Ghaziabad and Moradabad in phases in the coming years.

यात्री गाड़ियों का रद्द किया जाना

*52. श्री सुन्दर सिंह भंडारी : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार देश के विभिन्न भागों में कुछ यात्री गाड़ियों को अस्थायी रूप से रद्द करने पर विचार कर रही है; यदि हां, तो ये रेल गाड़ियां कौन-कौन सी हैं और इन्हें कब से रद्द किया जाएगा;

(ख) इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) कितने रेल इंजिनों को यात्री गाड़ियों से अलग करके माल गाड़ियों को खींचने के काम पर लगाया जाएगा ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी. के. जाफ़र शरीफ़) : (क) से (ग) चालू वर्ष के दौरान माल यातायात की ढुलाई के लिए, डीजल रेल इंजन उपलब्ध कराने के वास्ते किसी भी सवारी गाड़ी को रद्द करने का प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

Amnesty International's Report on Human Rights violation in India

*53. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased ot state :

(a) whether Government have taken note of the motivated reports

on human rights violations in India emanating from Amnesty International;

(b) whether Government would refuse to be influenced by such reports and subtle pressures in reviewing its stand on Terrorists and Disruptive Activities Act and such other enactments aimed to curb terrorist and extremist activities on the Indian soil; and

(c) whether Government would make the National Human Rights Commission, which has been recently set up, the sole authority to investigate and adjudicate complaints of violation of human rights in India?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) Amnesty International has from time to time, been referring to the Ministry of Home Affairs, allegations of human rights violations in India. Allegations of a sweeping and generalised nature have frequently been made in these reports. A large number of the allegations published in these reports were found to be exaggerated and grossly distorted. Government have been issuing prompt and effective rebuttals to all such reports.

(b) The need for a special law like TADA to deal with an extraordinary situation arising out of organised terrorism and disruptive activities, aided and abetted externally, depends on the prevailing security and law and order environment. Decision on whether the law should continue or not is taken by Government on merits. There is no question of a Government decision on such a vital subject being influenced by any other agency.

(c) The NHRC, set up under the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 is empowered to inquire, suo-motu or on a petition presented to it by a victim or any persons on his behalf, into complaints of violations of human rights or abetment thereof. Provision has also been made under the said Act for setting up of Human Rights Commissions by the State Governments.

वन्य प्राणियों की खालों की तस्करी

*54. **प्रो. राम लखन सिंह वर्मा :** क्या **पर्यावरण और वन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को यह जानकारी है कि बाघों, तेंदुओं और अन्य लुप्त प्राय: वन्यप्राणियों की खालों को बड़े पैमाने पर विदेशों को भेजा जा रहा है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस संबंध में कोई कार्रवाई की गई है; और

(ग) वन्यप्राणियों की सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए जाने का विचार है ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) हाल के वर्षों में वन्यजीव-जन्तुओं की खालों की तस्करी के प्रयास के मामले सामने आए हैं । स्थानीय प्रवर्तन प्राधिकारियों के सहयोग से दिल्ली, बम्बई, कलकत्ता और मद्रास में तैनात पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के वन्यजीव संरक्षण के क्षेत्रीय उप-निदेशकों द्वारा पकड़े गए ऐसे मामलों के ब्यौरे सदन के पटल पर रखे गए विवरण–I में दिए गए हैं । (**नीचे देखिए**) इसके अतिरिक्त समय-समय पर राज्य सरकारों ने भी ऐसी वस्तुओं को पकड़ा है ।

(ख) इन मामलों में वन्यजीव (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1972 तथा अन्य संगत अधिनियमों और नियमों के तहत कार्रवाई की गई है ।

(ग) सदन के पटल पर विवरण–II के रूप में एक विवरण रखा गया है ।